

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:272

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Old Age Homes

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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government provides financial assistance to NGOs, Panchayati Raj Institutions etc. for running and maintenance of old age homes for indigent senior citizens;
- (b) if so, the details of financial assistance provided for the purpose during the last three years, State/Union Territory-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to increase the financial assistance being provided at present; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(SHRI VIJAY SAMPLA)

(a) & (b) This Ministry is implementing a Central Sector Scheme of Integrated Programme for Older Persons (IPOP) under which grants are given for running and maintenance of Old Age Homes, Day Care Centres, Mobile Medicare Units etc. The main objective of the Scheme is to improve the quality of life of Older Persons by providing basic amenities like shelter, food, medical care and entertainment opportunities etc. Implementing agencies eligible for assistance under the Scheme are Panchayati Raj Institutions/Local Bodies, Non-Governmental Voluntary Organizations, Institutions or Organizations set up by Government as autonomous/subordinate bodies, Government Recognized Educational Institutions, Charitable Hospitals/Nursing Homes, and Recognized Youth Organizations such as Nehru Yuva Kendra Sanghathan (NYKS) and in exceptional cases the State Governments/UT administrations. The Scheme inter-alia, provides for financial assistance of Rs. 11,94, 500/- w.e.f 01.04.2015 for maintenance of Old Age Home for 25 destitute older persons. The financial assistance provided for the purpose under the said scheme during the last three year, State/Union Territory wise; is at annexed "A".

(c) & (d) The cost norms of financial assistance in respect of Old Age Homes has been revised w.e.f. 01.04.2015. The details are as under:

Item Old rate w.e.f 01.04.2008 Revised rate w.e.f. 01.04.2015

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Rs. 6,67,000/- Rs. 11,94,500/-